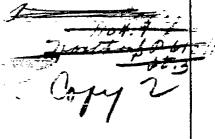
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The gust and draft velocities evaluated from acceleration and airspeed-altitude records taken by NACA instruments installed in P-61c airplanes participating in thunderstorm flights 9, 10, and 11 of July 12, 1946, July 17, 1946, and July 18, 1946, respectively, are presented in tables I and II. These data are of the type presented in references 1 and 2 for previous flights.

In accordance with a recent discussion with a member of the U. S. Weather Bureau staff, motion-picture records of the pilots' instrument panels for the present flights were inspected to note variations in the readings of a milliammeter used in conjunction with other equipment to indicate ambient air temperature. The inspection indicated that the instrument read zero throughout all traverses.

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TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS FROM FLIGHTS

OF P-61c AIRPLANES WITHIN THUNDERSTORMS

Space interval ft × 103	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue _{max} (fps)		t g vel V	imum rue pust ocity ^t max fps)	Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
	·	July 1	2, 1946	- F11	ght 9			
Airplane 344 { Time (EST) - (a) Length of traverse 41.8 sec, 12,885 ft Initial heading (deg) 4 (a)								
0 + 3 3 - 6 6 - 9 9 - 12 12 - 15	26,000	3.1 5.0 3.1	-4.7 -8.8 -4.7 -5.3	 				& ↑ ₽ 8 0
Airplane 344 Traverse 2 Time (EST) - (a) Length of traverse 55.5 sec, 20,2β2 ft Initial heading (deg) - (a)								
0 - 3 3 - 6 6 - 9 9 - 12 12 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 21	26,000	56.335.18.1 5.4.1	-10.3 -7.8 -9.1 -4.1 -9.1 -7.8	12.0		114		5215392
Airplane Traverse	1222 4 3	Length	EST) - of tra L headi	verse	61.5 se g) - (a	c, 20,6)	53 ft	·
		(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Airplane 347 Traverse 1 Time (EST) 133915 - 134010 Length of traverse 79.0 sec, 21,077 ft Initial heading (deg) 280								
0 - 3 3 - 6 6 - 9	11,000	7.0	-4.8	 30,6	 -7.7	26	26	1 17

and motion-picture records obtained.

bFailure in operation of accelerometer prevented computations for gust velocities.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	, 6		t g vel U	imum rue ust ocity t max fps)	Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
		July 1	2, 1946	- Fli	ght 9			
Airplane Traverse		Length	EST) 13 of tre 1 headi	verse	79.0 se	oc, 21.0)77 ft	
9 - 12 12 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 21 21 - 24	11,000	12.1 7.6 5.4	-9.2 -2.5 -5.1	4.8 7.0 5.9	-9.9	119 56 100	293	17 5 8 13 0
Airplane 347 Time (EST) 134615 - 134705 Length of traverse 70.0 sec, 18,927 ft Initial helding (deg) 180								
0 - 3 3 - 6 6 - 9 9 - 12 12 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 21	11,000	14.9 11.1 12.0 8.5 7.0 8.2 7.0	-7.3 -17.1 -12.6 -15.2 -6.3 -5.1	15.9 21.7 4.8	-10.9 -11.7 -21.7	81 129 27 28	59 52 167	9 13 12 7 11 5 1
		July :	17, 194	6 - Fl:	ight 10			
Airplane Traverse	333 2	Length	EST) 14 of tra 1 headi	verse :	59.0 Be	c, 21,4	29 ft	
		(b)	(b)	(ъ)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Airplane Traverse	323 4	Fime (EST) 143550 - 143720 Length of traverse 56.1 sec, 21.572 ft Initial heading (deg) 90						
		(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(ð)	(b)

^bFailure in operation of accelerometer prevented computations for gust velocities.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	effe gu velo U _e	imum ective st ecity max ps)	t e vel U	imum rue just ocity t max fps)	Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts	
	ុវ	uly 17	, 1946	- Flie	ht 10				
Airplane 333 Traverse 3 Time (EST) 151410 - (c) Length of traverse 838.8 sec, 315,769 ft Initial heading (deg) 20									
		(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(ъ)	
Airplane Traverse), < T								
		(b) (b) (b) (b) (b) (b)							
Airplane Traverse	J., ₹ F	ength	ST) 143 of trav headin	erse l	11.1 se	c, 35,4	58 ft		
0 - 3 3 - 6 - 9 9 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 21 21 - 24 24 - 30 30 - 33 33 - 36	16,000							6 3 9 10 12 10 10 10 5 13 4	
Airplene 347 Traverse 2 Time (EST) 144255 - (c) Length of traverse 730.0 sec, 238,293 ft Initial heading (deg) 360									
0 - 3 3 - 6 6 - 9	16,000	9.8 15.8 12.0	-8.9 -12.3 -5.7		-8.3	~	103	10 5 8	

brailure in operation of accelerometer prevented computations for gust velocities.

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I .- SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Uemax (fps)		Maximum true gust velocity ^U tmax (fps)		Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts	
July 17, 1946 - Flight 10									
Airplane 347 Traverse 2 Time (EST) 144255 - (c) Length of traverse 730.0 sec, 238,293 ft Initial heading (deg) 360									
9 - 12 12 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 24 21 - 27 30 - 33 31 - 32 22 - 33 33 - 34 24 - 27 30 - 33 33 - 34 45 - 54 45 - 57 50 - 66 51 - 75 51 - 84 84 - 90 90 - 105 105 - 108 105 - 111	16,000 16,000	45.70.95.06.4.45 6.5.4.2.1.2.5.3.1 1.7.2.2.4.8.4 1.6.6	4.5.4.6.6.4.0.5.1.3.9.7.2.1.2.5.4.8.2.5.8.5.4.1.0.7.5.1.3.9.7.2.1.2.4.7.8.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.7.8.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.7.8.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.7.8.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.3.8.5.4.1.0.7.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.8.5.4.1.0.7.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.8.5.4.1.0.7.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.8.5.4.1.0.7.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.8.5.4.1.0.7.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.8.5.4.1.0.7.5.3.1.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.2.3.1.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.2.3.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.3.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.2.3.3.1.2.4.2.2.2.2.2.2.3.3.1.2.2.2.2.2.2.2.2.2.2.2	4.1 9.4 9.9 19.4 18.1 4.5 4.5 4.0 4.1 6.2 4.9 10.9	-6.0 -14-3 -21.7 -12.3 -16.0 -4.4 -8.1 -4.9 -4.4 -5.0 -6.2 -4.2 -1.8 -9.0 -4.4 -8.5	70 210 33 143 160 96 67 314 359 215 34 65 61 184	140 167 58 184 158 193 167 129 250 250 104 34 34 34 31 157 310	57475869867267654636777744469954711	

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue max (fps)		t g vel U	imum rue ust ocity ^t max fps)	Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
	····	July 1	7, 1946	- Fli	ght 10			
Airplane Traverse	3 ⁴ ℓ ₹	Length	EST) 14 of tra 1 headi	verse '	730.0 s	ec, 238	,293 ft	
111 - 114 114 - 117 117 - 120 120 - 123 123 - 126 126 - 129 129 - 132 132 - 135 135 - 138 138 - 141 141 - 144 144 - 147 147 - 150 150 - 153 153 - 156 156 - 169 159 - 162 162 - 165 165 - 168 168 - 171 171 - 174 174 - 177 177 - 180 180 - 183 183 - 186 186 - 189 189 - 192 192 - 195 195 - 198 198 - 201 201 - 204 204 - 207 207 - 210 210 - 213	16,000 15,500 16,000	10.4.6.1.4.8	-6.5,4.21.3 -4.25.3 -4.5.2.3.2 -4.5.8.2.3.2 -4.5.8.2.3.2 -4.5.8.2.3.2 -4.7.8.2.3.2 -2.4.3.9.8 -2.4.3.9 -		-12.7 -7.8 -3.6 -4.2 -3.5 -4.2 -6.2 -6.0 -3.8 -7.8	149 34 95 32 94 32 183 64 238	162 16 16 65 64 33 95 163 32 63 132 153 32	4182334746553501355597845328991445

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue max (fps)		Maximum true gust velocity Ut max (fps)		Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
	1	July 1	7, 1946	- Fli	ght 10			
Airplane Traverse	341	Length	EST) 14 of tra l headi	verse	730.0 £	юс, 238	,293 ft	
213 - 216 216 - 219 219 - 222 222 - 225 225 - 228 228 - 231 231 - 234 234 - 237 237 - 240	15,500	4.7 3.8 3.5 3.2 6.0 5.4	-6.3 -4.4 -4.1 -2.5 -2.8 -3.2 -6.0 -4.1	6.7	-7.6 -4.1 -10.8	101.	131	96 38 788 5 <i>0</i>
Airplane Traverse	341 4 1	Length		verse		c, 21,0	31 ft	
0 - 3 3 - 6 6 - 9 9 - 12 12 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 21	15,500	10.1 6.6 5.7 8.2 9.4 3.8	-4.4 -4.7 -3.5 -3.5 -9.7 -6.6	14.4 8.7 6.5	-9.5 -3.8 -3.8	65 156 152	36 105 121	10 6 6 10 6
Airplane 347 Traverse 4 Time (EST) 150710 - (c) Length of traverse 649.0 sec, 198,651 ft Initial heading (deg) 30								
0 - 3 3 - 6 6 - 9 9 - 12 12 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 21	16,000 16,500	4.1 4.7 7.5 3.1 4.7 6.9 7.2	-4.4 -2.5 -4.7 -3.7 -8.4 -6.9	7.2 4.5	-5.9 -9.1 -12.1 -6.6 -11.2	64 60 100	63 62 31 103 70	6 11 12 6 9 12 7

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I .- SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

 								
Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity e max (fps)		t e vel U	imum rue ust ocity tmax fps)	grad dist	Gust gradient distance (ft)	
July 17, 1946 - Flight 10								
Airplane Traverse		Lengt	(EST) l h of tr al head	averse	649.0	вес, 19	8,651 f	t
21 - 23 33 33 33 44 54 85 15 57 60 63 66 69 22 57 78 81 84 79 93 69 90 105 81 114 7120 114 117 117 117 117 117 117 117 117 117	16,500 16,500 16,500 16,500 17,000	5165651165751255779 5575599356995 195751255779 5575599356995	4170234641654068222670822511955	6.5	8.3 -7.1 -5.7 -21.8 -11.1 -5.7 -6.2 -10.9 -13.6 -14.5 -24.3 -10.9 -4.9 -4.9 -4.9 -10.9	65 66 66 34 62 100	33 159 32 198 98 33 34 34 33 98 285 135 70 167 295 62 61 129	686497082817995547660967875191387

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TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³			Grandis (:	No. of gusts				
Traverse 120 - 123 123 - 126 126 - 129 129 - 132 132 - 135 135 - 138 138 - 141 141 - 144 144 - 147 147 - 150 150 - 153 153 - 156 156 - 159 159 - 162 165 - 168 168 - 171 171 - 174 174 - 177 177 - 180 180 - 183 183 - 186 186 - 189 189 - 192 192 - 195 195 - 198 198 - 201 Airplane Traverse	17,000 16,500 16,000	101 14 2 5 7 5 5 5 8 5 7 4 4 4 4 4 4 7 9 1 1 - 0 0 1 7 4 1 5 1 ments	headi -6.792 -7.71-4.86 -9.7-3.11-9.7-4.86 -4.4-6.18-1-1.6-4-1.6-3-4-1.2-1.6-4-1.2-1.1-5.4-1.2-1.1-1.1-1.1-1.1-1.1-1.1-1.1-1.1-1.1	10.3 8.8 9.3 3.3 8.1 7.3 3.8	-10.9 -11.7 -6.7 -12.9 -7.2 -6.6 -8.8 -10.5 -5.3 -7.7	62 96 33 164 221 185 98 168	207 93 100 137 103 130 228 70	588846786657648354527537481
0 - 3 3 - 6	10,500	3.8	-2.9				*****	0 5

Film supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity U max (fps)		Maximum true gust velocity ^U t max (fps)		Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
		July l	7, 1946	- F11	ght 10			
Airplane Traverse	3444	Length		verse	143715 162.4 s g) 90		034 ft	
9 12 15 8 1 24 27 33 33 33 34 25 8 24 27 33 33 33 34 25 8 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	10,500	37778777999876	-14.9 -9.8	6.8 26.7 21.2 18.8 8.0 9.2	-9.1 -6.9 -15.5 -12.6 -34:2 -12.6	61 30 30 218 30 31 102	31 60 91 185 182 216	4 568 76 HH8 599H8 o
Airpland Traverse	344	Length	EST) 14 of tra 1 headi	verse	637.5 в	ec, 192	,298 ft	
0 - 3 0 - 9 - 15 0 - 15 0 - 15 0 - 15 15 15 15 16 17 18 17 18 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	11,000	73333335394728	-7.5 -6.3 -6.0 -7.5 -7.8 -7.8 -7.8 -4.9 -8.5 -8.5	24.8 11.4 9.8 6.2 13.4	-11.6	99 60 156 65 158	99	ጉዓሠ ተተዓዓየየየወധላላ

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I .- SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 103	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue max (fps)		t vel t	cimum crue cust cocity max fps)	Gu grad dist (f	ient ance	No. of gusts
Airpland Traverse))44	Time (7, 1946 EST) 14 of tra 1 headi	4405 • verse	(c) 637.5 s	ec, 192	,298 ft	
39 - 42 42 - 45 45 - 51 51 - 54 51 - 57 56 - 63 63 - 66 69 - 75 75 - 78 81 - 81 87 - 93 90 - 105 105 - 108 105 - 108 105 - 123 120 - 123 121 - 120 122 - 132 135 - 138	10,500	25.38.6.4.9.98.3.1.1.5.3.6.9	-7.2 -8.2 -7.9 -8.5 -4.7 -8.2 -11.0 -10.7 -4.7 -7.5 -3.1 -6.3 -6.3 -5.7 -3.1 -8.2 -11.9 -8.2		-14:9 -15.6 -19.2 -11.4 -11.7 -11.7 -11.7 -12.0 -12.3 -8.6	212 243 175 146 116 116 113 61 60 61 58 145 322 90 144 30 60	31 31 314 120 91 91 205 370 123 152	337769538125257932113650212116487

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue max (fps)		t g vel U	imum rue ust ocity t max fps)	Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
July 17, 1946 - Flight 10								
Airplane Traverse	344	Length	EST) 14 of tra 1 headi	verse	637.5 B	ec, 192	,298 ft	
138 - 141 141 - 144 144 - 147 147 - 150 150 - 153 153 - 156 156 - 159 159 - 162 162 - 165 165 - 168 168 - 171 171 - 174 174 - 177 177 - 180 180 - 183 183 - 186 186 - 189 189 - 192 192 - 195	10,500	5.3 6.0 6.9 6.9 6.9 8.2 2.5 2.5	-7.9 -2.2 -3.1 -4.4 -7.2 -6.0 -6.9 -6.9 -6.9 -7.2 -8.8	9.9	-10.3 -9.1 -12.9 -12.9 -11.5 -9.4	213	280 31 62 209 117 57	Q M O Q M 4 M O 4 M M O O O O I 5 Q 4 I
Airplane Traverse	344	Length	EST) 15 of tra l headi	verse	437.1 s	ec, 134	,219 ft	
0 - 3 3 - 6 9 - 12 15 - 18 15 - 21	10,500	3.8	-11.6 -3.8 -7.5	11.0	-29.7 -8.7 -14:4	121	184 511 123 30 63	5 0 0 3 0 1
21 - 24 24 - 27	10,500	11.0 3.8	-7.2 -15.0	13.6 18.0	-11.8	31 158	63 	5

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)			t e vel U	imum rue pust ocity tmax fpe)	Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
		July 1	7, 1946	- Fli	ght 10		<u></u>	
Airplane Traverse	3 3 4 4	Length	EST) 15 of tra 1 headi	verse	437.1 s	ec, 13 ¹	,219 ft	
27 - 30 30 - 33 30 - 39 30 - 39 30 - 39 45 - 55 50 - 63 60 - 75 81 - 80 81 - 90 90 - 105 105 - 111 114 - 117 120 123 123	10,500 11,000 10,500 11,000	891848114593 10801613111558 18 158	7 3664 755578 394448598 986 238 2 14 12 7664 19279 644 4776 7676 7527 13 17	19.1 11.8 11.4 14.0 18.0 36.3 11.1 8.7 7.4 10.7 15.8 6.5 7.4	-9.2 -19.8 -12.7 -10.9 -12.9 -14.0 -12.9 -14.6	119 88 60 120 146 152 93 152 60 89 236 218 218 278 251	190 311 120 93 124 119 92 154 90 121 120 149 238	626585181655204346464524322120112

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft' × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue max (fps)		Meximum true gust velocity Ut mex (fps)		Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts	
		July 1	7, 1946	- Fl1	ght 10				
Airplane Traverse	344 }	Length	EST) 15 of tra 1 headi	verse	437.1 s	ec, 134	,219 ft		
126 - 129 129 - 132 132 - 135	10,500		-6.6 -7.5 -3.8		-11-0 -13.5		216 62	4 1 1	
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	July 18, 1946 - Flight 11								
Airplane Traverse	344	Length	EST) 15 of tra 1 headi	verse	153104 169.4 s g) 360	ec, 51,	868 ft		
0 3 6 9 12 5 18 11 42 7 3 3 3 6 9 12 5 48 11 48 7 3 3 3 6 9 12 5 48 11 48 7 1 5 48 5 1 48 5 1	19,500 20,000 20,500 21,000	4.7 8.7 6.8 7.6 6.2	-2.5 -4.3 -6.2 -8.4 -12.1 -5.0 -8.7 -10.2 -4.3	16.4	-7.9 -12.7 -15.2 -5.7	281	153 123 71	0000001010101430441	

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)			Maximum true gust velocity U _{t max} (fps)		Gust gredient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
		July 1	8, 19 46	- Fli	ght 11	·		
Airplane Traverse	344	Longth	EST) - of tra l headi	verse			,571 ft	
3 6 9 12 5 18 1 14 7 30 33 6 39 22 5 14 5 7 6 6 3 6 6 9 22 5 8 14 7 30 33 6 39 22 5 14 5 7 6 6 3 6 6 9 22 7 7 7 8 14 8 7 90 3 3 6 9 22 5 7 7 8 1 8 8 7 90 3 9 6 9 12 5 14 7 10 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	20,500	3.1 5.6 12.0 3.1 3.1	-7.1 -3.1 -7.4 -10.5 -8.9 -4.6 -7.1 -6.5 -4.0 -7.1 -2.1 -7.7 -7.7 -7.7 -7.7 -7.7 -7.1	10.7 9.7 7.7 13.6 19.3 14.8	-35.8 -35.8 -11:1 -11:5 -7:5 -13.6 -9:7 -8.3 -15:9 -9.6	269 33 98 33 33 34	209 33 67 134 267 32 65 374 34	733523000043112000222242343341300

^aNo motion-picture records obtained.

TABLE I .- SIMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity U emax (fps)		Meximum true gust velocity Ut max (fps)		Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts	
July 18, 1946 - Flight 11									
Airplane Traverse		Lengt	(EST) - h of tr al head	averse	452.4 eg) - (sec, 15 a)	1,571 ft	,	
99 - 102 102 - 105 105 - 108 108 - 111 111 - 114 114 - 117 117 - 120 120 - 123 123 - 126 126 - 129 129 - 132 132 - 135 135 - 138 138 - 141 141 - 144 144 - 147 147 - 150 150 - 153	21,000	9.9 6.5 6.5 13.0 13.0 9.2 13.0 9.2 3.7	-9.6 -6.2 -7.4 -3.1 -17.6 -9.3 -10.2	23.2	-8.6 -19.2 -21.5 -4.2	34	172 99 243 106	0000 M M M M M M M M A M A O O	
Airplane 344 Traverse 3 Time (EST) 153737 - 153809 Length of traverse 47.8 sec, 16,600 ft Initial heading (deg) - 350									
0 - 3 3 - 6 6 - 9 9 - 12 12 - 15 15 - 18	21,000	8.5 4.0 8.8 7.9 7.0	-4.6 -8.2 -4.6 -7.6 -10.0 -5.5	16.2 27.3 11.8	-8.6 -17.8 	67 164 70	138 312 147	164585	

^aNo motion-picture records obtained.

TABLE I .- SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft x 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft) (ft) Maximum effecti gust velocit Velocit (fps)		ctive st city max	Maximum true gust velocity Ut max (fps)		Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts	
	July 18, 1946 - Flight 11								
Airplane Traverse	7 344 4 3	Length	EST) 16 of tra l headi	verse	160517 51.9 se g) 120	0, 18,4	69 ft		
0 - 3 3 - 9 9 - 15 12 - 18 18 - 21	21,000	3.6	-11.2 -3.6 -11.5 -5.1 -4.5 -15.4	12.6	-31.4	211	491	8 36 2 3.4 0	
	Airplane 347 Traverse 1 Time (EST) 152758 - 153215 Length of traverse 269.9 sec, 80,071 ft Initial heading (deg) 360								
0 - 3 6 9 12 15 15 - 15 15 - 16 15 - 16 15 - 16 16 9 12 14 17 0 33 18 12 14 18 1 15 18 12 14 18 16 16 18	11,500	3.1 4.1 5.1 8.3 4.1 4.4 4.4 9.1	-5.6 -2.5 -2.5,4,4 -5.3,2,4,4 -5.3,2,4,4 -5.3,2,4,4 -5.3,2,3,4,4 -5.3,2,4,4 -5.3,2,4,4 -5.3,2,4,4 -5.3,2,4,4 -5.3,2 -5.3,2 -	6.2	-9.4 -3.8 -5.3 -7.1 -6.2 -4.6 -6.7 -8.6 -7.1 -7.1	59	421 86 30 90 59 58 62 63 126 90	100200001206965 79603949	

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft x 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue max (fps)		Maximum true gust velocity U _t max (fps)		Gust gradient distance (ft)		No. of gusts
		July 1	8, 1946	- Fli	ght ll			
Airplane Traverse	241	Length	EST) 15 of tra 1 headi	verse	153215 269.9 s g) 360	ec, 80,	071 ft	
72 - 75 75 - 78 78 - 81	12,000	5.9 4.4	-4.4 -4.4	5.3	-7.5 -6.2	30	92 187	11 6 0
Airplane 347 Traverse 2 Time (EST) 153642 - (c) Length of traverse 552.7 sec, 171,129 ft Initial heading (deg) 250								
0 3 6 9 12 158 18 1 2 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 4 5 5 5 5 6 6 3 6 6 6 9 2 5 5 5 5 6 6 6 6 6 7 2 5 5 6 6 6 6 6 7 2 5 6 6 6 6 6 7 2 5 6 6 6 6 6 7 2 6 6 6 6 6 7 2 6 6 6 6 6 7 2 6 6 6 6	11,000 11,500 12,000	2.56.08.05.08.8.7 14.6.5.08.8.7 14.6.5.1.0.4.2 1.5.1.0.4.2 1.5.1.0.4.2 1.5.1.0.4.2	-2.5 -5.5 -7.7 -7.7 -7.7 -7.7 -7.7 -7.7 -7	25.6 12.2 10.2 13.4 9.2 13.4 9.6 4.6 7.3 7.3 6.2	-4.3 -19.7 -27.4 -5.3 -6.7 -10.3 -12.9 -6.8 -6.5	55 62 133 58 149 153 61 149	289 145 134 30 121 59 153 58 29 58 30	0010945372758939785745678

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue max (fps)		Maximum true gust velocity Ut max (fps)		Gust gredient distance (ft)		No. of gusts	
	July 18, 1946 - Flight 11								
Airplane Traverse	1 341	Length	EST) 15 of tra l headi	verse	552.7 s	ec, 171	.,129 ft		
75 - 78 78 - 81 81 - 84 84 - 87 87 - 90 90 - 93 93 - 96 99 - 102 105 - 108 108 - 111 111 - 114 114 - 117 120 - 123 123 - 126 129 - 132 132 - 135 135 - 138 134 - 141 144 - 147 147 - 150 150 - 153 153 - 156 156 - 168 165 - 168 167 - 168 168 - 171 171 - 174	12,000	7.38.3 8.55.08.55 9 1 1 1 2.77.7.8.48 2.34.4.13.6	73449 2280582 188 1 42887628	4.5 8.0 4.5 5.3 3.6 3.6 9.9 9.9 9.9 14.0 9.9 9.9	-7.2 -4.0 -6.7 -3.2 -4.6 -6.2 -3.5 -4.6 -6.7 -18.1	63 93 63 32 31 33.0 68.0 62 64 31 31 61	65 31 12 97 32 63 61 159 62 32 305	221877417904344460143145431673860	

^CFilm supply for motion-picture camera exhausted before end of traverse.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY OF GUST MEASUREMENTS - Concluded

Space interval ft × 10 ³	Pressure altitude (ft)	Maximum effective gust velocity Ue max		Maximum true gust velocity Ut mex		Gust gradient distance - (ft)		No. of gusts
		(1)	ps)	(.	.ps)			
			3, 1946					
Airplane Traverse	() ()	Length	ST) 15; of trav	verse :	109.6 s	ec, 34,	528 ft	
0 - 3 3 - 9 9 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 21 24 - 27 30 - 33 33 - 36	11,000					060959197244		
Airplane Traverse	341	Length	esr) 15; of tra l headi	verse	118.9 s	ec, 36,	091 ft	
0 - 3 3 - 6 9 - 12 12 - 15 15 - 18 18 - 21 21 - 24 24 - 27 27 - 30 30 - 33 33 - 39	11,000	2.588.4.96 3.1.4.2.7.1	2.55.886.0 -5.6.4.1.1.3.4.8 -2.3.8	3.7 7.3 7.3 8.3 9.0	-3.8 -5.6 -11.0 -12.2 -14.3	31 58 58 58 147	30 147 89 117 64	6 1 1 1 1 1 1 8 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

TABLE II - SUMMARY OF DRAFT MEASUREMENTS FROM FLICHTS OF P-61c ATRPLANES WITHIN THUNDERSTORMS

Date	Flight	Air- plane no.	Assigned altitude (ft)	Trav- erse no.	Draft lo from c entr (ft)	loud Y	Draft extent (ft)	Average draft velocity (fps)
					Start	End.		
7-12-46	9	344	26,000	al				
				82				
		333	21,000	al				
		347	11,000	aı				
				2	10,334	12,078	1,744	35.4
7-17-46	10	333	21,000	al				
			1	a ₂				
				3	14,957 49,054 70,234 130,961 155,058 221,031	74,182 136,185	5,161 3,423 3,948 5,224 6,315 8,977	14.0 16.0 -28.8 17.8 19.2 -25.5
				4	10,673 40,036 68,031 114,613		5,362 5,799 3,140 3,097	25.8 15.2 24.0 18.2
		347	16,000	1	3,710	10,704	6,994	-10.6
				2		28,940 49,686 97,955 122,078 207,630 237,175	1,587 4,553 4,460 8,203 3,664 16,023	-42.6 -29.2 -22.7 -20.8 -28.0 -13.6
				a ₃				

⁸No draft velocities indicated by records.

TABLE II. - SUMMARY OF DRAFT MEASUREMENTS - Concluded

Date	Flight no	Air- plane no.	Assigned altitude (ft)	Tray- erse no.	Draft lo from (enta (ft)	cloud Ty	Draft extent (ft)	Average dreft velocity (ips)
7-17-46	10	347	16,000	ŢĻ	105,967 144,667	48,299 67,442 102,879	4,617 5,299 5,751 5,546 2,564 5,671 2,930	-40.0
		344	11,000	1	8,718 12,141	12,141	3,423 12,657	-10.2 7.2
				2		125,301 150,281	6,519 11,484	-9.4 -8.3
				3	51,404 70,766		4,115 11,061	-14.7 9.0
7-18-46	11	344	21,000	a _l	6 5 100	oz ((0)	6 550	0 1.
				2 2 3	25,109	31,668	6,559	8.4
				84				
		347	11,000	ı	52,7 03	55,207	2,504	-14.8
				2	20,128 96,709	26,024 99,882	5,896 3,173	21.0 -17.0
				² 3				
				a _{lt}				

and draft velocities indicated by records.

